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FOR FUNSETH FROM BROWN

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SOPN (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)

SUBJECT: DAILY NEWS BRIEFING, OCTOBER 7, BY DEPUTY SPOKESMAN BROWN

1. BROWN ANNOUNCED AVAILABILITY OF TEXT SECRETARY'S TOAST AT LATIN AMERICAN LUNCHEON TODAY AND COMMUNIQUE ON CANADIAN-US TV DISCUSSIONS. ON ZIMBABWE TRILATERALS, HE SAID MEETINGS BEGIN AGAIN AT 2:30 PM AND WOULD CONCLUDE LATE AFTERNOON. (COMMUNIQUE ISSUED AT 4:30 PM.)

2. BROWN RECEIVED MANY QUESTIONS, IN A VARIETY OF FORMULATIONS, ON FORD-CARTER DEBATE. TO EACH HE DECLINED TO COMMENT OR OFFER SPECULATION. HE ALSO DECLINED TO ANSWER OR TAKE QUESTIONS OF FACT CONNECTED WITH DEBATE, E.G., HOW MANY SOVIET DIVISIONS ARE STATIONED IN POLAND?

3. ASKED IF US HAD RESPONDED TO SOVIET NOTE OF MARCH ON SALT, BROWN REPLIED THAT IT WAS HIS UNDERSTANDING THAT NO RESPONSE HAD BEEN YET MADE.

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4. QUESTION ASKED CONCERNING BRIEFING OF BANGKOK PRESS

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CORPS BY RPT BY US EMBASSY OFFICIAL ON BEHALF OF NEW THAI GOVERNMENT. BROWN REPLIED THAT NO RPT NO SUCH REPORT SEEN BY DEPARTMENT BUT FELT SURE THAT US DIPLOMAT WOULD NOT ACT IN THIS CAPACITY. (QUESTION TAKEN AND REPLY SUB-SEQUENTLY SUPPLIED CONFIRMED THIS ANSWER.)

5. SCHAUFELE: STILL IN LONDON, RETURN DATE NOT YET ESTABLISHED.

6. ASKED IF SECRETARY HAD EVER SUGGESTED THAT CRITICISM OF THE HELSINKI AGREEMENT IS AT SAME TIME CRITICISM OF POPE PAUL VI BECAUSE AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED BY VATICAN, BROWN REPLIED THAT AS FAR AS HE KNEW, SECRETARY HAD NOT MADE SUCH STATEMENT.

7. MEETING WITH CHIAO KUAN-HUA AND PRC NUCLEAR FALLOUT: "NOTHING ON THAT. AS SAID YESTERDAY, WE ARE GOING TO RAISE IT, BUT HAVE NO TIME FRAME."

8. ASKED IF STATE DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDED THAT GAO MAYAGUEZ REPORT BE RELEASED ON JULY 12, BROWN REPLIED THAT STATE DEPARTMENT DOES NOT MAKE RECOMMENDATION IN SUCH CASE SINCE COMPTROLLER GENERAL'S OFFICE IS RESPONSIVE TO CONGRESS AND THEREFORE TIMING DOES NOT FALL WITHIN PURVIEW OF DEPARTMENT. ROBINSON

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